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**ANGLO-U.S.
FIGHTING
FORCE**

Paris, Jan. 2.
The Socialist news-
paper "L'Aurore" says
that the Anglo-American
armies soon will be for-
ged into a single fighting
arm extending from
Japan to Asia Minor and
from the North Pole to
Rio Grande.

The newspaper reported pre-
viously that the United States
and Britain would sign a secret
10-point accord next March 15,
binding both nations to pool their
economic, military and financial
resources in case of an attack by
a third power. This has been de-
nied by the Foreign Office.

The newspaper predicted in a
copyright article that equipment,
arms, training and methods of all
English speaking armies
would become uniform.

It pointed to Canada as a
pivotal scene of this integration.
"L'Aurore" said that Field
Marshal Montgomery made de-
tailed agreements on this subject
during his Washington confer-
ence with President Truman and
General Dwight Eisenhower.
"L'Aurore" said the unification
of British and the American, and
probably Dominion, troops will
begin on American soil, where
the methods of West Point will
be used as a model for training
British officers. — Associated
Press.

**NEW AIR ROUTE
TO ORIENT**

Minneapolis, Jan. 2.
A DC-4 carrying executives
of Northwest Airlines hopped
off today to survey a new flight
route to the Orient which is
expected to start a regular
service early this year.

The route will be over the
Great Circle via Edmonton, An-
chorage, Siam, Tokyo and

**When Japs Changed
Their Tune**

Tokyo, Jan. 2.
Starving and ill, the surviving 123 Australian and
35 American prisoners of war on Amboina is-
land in the Moluccas, was "inundated" with
food, medicines and clothing by the Japanese
after the war's end, testified Australian Army
Lieutenant John Charles Van Hooten
before the International war crimes trial.

The cross-examination of Van
Hooten by the American de-
fence counsel, continuing after
the holiday recess, sought to
justify the Japanese withhold-
ing of food, medicines and
clothing on the grounds that
the Japanese was short of sup-
plies.

Van Hooten, who had testif-
ied on direct examination that
more than 400 Australians and
5 Americans died of neglect and
starvation during the three and
one half years' imprisonment,
asserted that the Japanese were
always well supplied and cited
the large amount of supplies
turned over after the war's
end as proof that the treat-
ment was deliberate.

Allied Bombings

Van Hooten also laid the
blame for numerous Allied
bombings on the failure of the
Japanese to mark, or identify
such camp as required by the
international law.
He said the entire island was
subject to frequent bombings
in 1942, one of which destroyed
part of the war prison camp.
He said that the Japanese at
no time allowed war prisoners
to display any marking which
would have identified the camp
to aviators and also refused
the request for materials to re-
construct the bomb-damaged
buildings. — Associated Press.
Lt. van Hooten testified that
Japanese treatment of prisoners
in the early stages of the war
was "quite good."

Under cross-examination, by
American and Japanese defence
attorneys, he said prisoners re-
ceived 17 oz. of rice per day
per person until August, 1943.
The ration was then progres-
sively reduced to ten, eight, six,
and finally four ounces by
August, 1944.

The defence, however, intro-
duced an earlier prosecution
affidavit in which another pri-
soner in the Moluccas area
testified that rice rations re-

P.W.D. OFFICIAL SHOT DEAD
Killed In New Territories Railway Hold-Up

THOSE RUMOURS

London, Jan. 1.
A Government spokesman
denied the latest of the crop
of rumours about Princess
Elizabeth of Britain and
Prince Philip of Greece.
The spokesman denied the
report published in the Lon-
don "Star" that the Cabinet
discussed the possibility of
their engagement and that
Dominion Premiers were
secretly asked for comment.
— Associated Press.

**New G.O.C.
Arriving**

The new G.O.C., Maj.
Gen. G.W.E.J. Erskine,
CB, DSO, who is due to
assume command here
on January 11th, is ex-
pected to arrive by air
this afternoon.

He will be met at the airport
by Maj. Gen. Festing, Col. E. N.
Clarke, and Lt. Col. M. L. Rey-
nolds.

On his arrival at Queen's Pier
Gen. Erskine will be met by
Commodore Everett, Brigs. P. L.
Lindsay, Brig. J.H.G. Wills and
Capt. J. A. Orr-Ewing.
The new G.O.C. will inspect a
company of Guard of Honour
drawn from the Royal Navy, 3
Commando Brigade, and 150 In-
dian Infantry Brigade.

The band of the West York-
shire Regiment will be in at-
tendance.

Shanghai with flights to Seoul,
Manila and Hong Kong.—United
Press.

**Man Britain Does
Not Want**

Rome, Jan. 1.
Professor Johan Smertenko, Vice-President of the
American League for Free Palestine, said here
today that if he were detained by the immi-
gration authorities when he reached Britain,
he would immediately appeal to the United
States Embassy in London as an American
citizen.
Professor Smertenko, who yes-
terday announced his intention of
carrying out his programme to
London this month, said: "I have
an American passport and a Bri-
tish visa expiring in April. I have
a flat in London, for which I am
paying rent, and personal belong-
ings and business to attend to."
"I still do not know the grounds
for my exclusion, and I will cer-
tainly appeal to the United States
Embassy if there are any official
attempts to obstruct me."
(It was announced in the
House of Commons on December
20 that steps were being taken to
exclude the Professor from Bri-
tain after allegations by a Mem-
ber of Parliament that he was
financing Jewish terrorists in
Palestine.)
Yesterday, the spokesman of the
Home Office said: "Whatever Pro-
fessor Smertenko may say he will
be refused entry into this coun-
try. If he lands at a British air-
field, he will be put on the next
plane returning to the place from
which he has arrived." — Reuters.

**Attacks On
The Pope
Condemned**

Cologne, Jan. 1.
Condemnation of at-
tacks made against the
Pope and denial of the
German people's collec-
tive guilt was made by
Cardinal Joseph Fringe,
Archbishop of Cologne,
in his New Year's Eve
sermon, according to the
British News Service in
Germany.
"Only an individual can be-
come guilty of a crime, but not
the whole community," he said.
In assessing the question of guilt,

**Eye-Witness Story
Of Tragedy**

(By Margaret Bradbury)

Up to a late hour last night large squads of police
were still combing the hillsides and valleys
surrounding the scene of the Kowloon-Canton
train holdup on New Year's day when five
Chinese bandits were responsible for the mur-
der, armed robbery and wounding of passen-
gers on their way to Kowloon from Fanling.
The \$5,000 reward which the police are offering for
information which might lead to an arrest has
so far met with no response.

Along the New Territories
border police were watching
and checking all traffic, and
numerous Chinese were ques-
tioned as part of the large-
scale investigations being car-
ried out to locate the bandits
responsible for the death of a
32-year-old British official—
Mr. Charles Collins, Land Sur-
veyor of the Public Works De-
partment—and the wounding of
two other Europeans and one
Chinese.

Mr. Collins, whose funeral
will take place at the Monument at 5
o'clock today, died as a result
of a bullet wound in the chest
which he received while strug-
gling with a bandit in a gallant
effort to prevent bloodshed.
Mr. Collins arrived in Hong
Kong in March this year after
being transferred from Sierra
Leone. He was educated at
Queens College, Oxford, was a
member of an old Colonial
service family and was a well
known and popular figure in
Hong Kong's social world.

Narrow Escape
His wife and small child who
were also travelling on the rail
bus when the hold-up occurred,
arrived in Hong Kong from
England on the "Empress of
Australia." Up to yesterday
evening, the news of her
father's death had not been
broken to their four-year-old
daughter Rowena who believes
Mr. Collins to be in the Kow-
loon hospital.

On board the rail car at the
time of the attack were 34 pas-
sengers. They included Mr.
and Mrs. Collins and their
daughter, were returning from
New Year's day picnic in Fanling.
As the rail car sped out of No. 5
tunnel along the line one of the
bandits sprang to the front and
brandished a gun at the driver.
Mr. Collins, who was sitting close
to him caught hold of him and
after struggling with him, receiv-
ed a bullet in his chest.
"Everything happened very
suddenly," said Mrs. Collins. "Mrs.
Collins picked up Rowena and
went toward the exit of the car
as her husband grappled with the
bandit, and then there was a lot
of confusion and noise. I saw
my husband pick up a hand
grenade and throw it out of the
window. Then another Chinese
in blue began fighting with him.
There were several shots and my
husband fell to the floor. The
conductor pulled me down and I
remember noticing that Mr. Col-
lins was extremely badly wound-
ed. Another bandit came up and
took my money and various other
things, my watch, wedding and
engagement rings. The conductor
held down my husband who was
dazed and did not know what was
happening."

Pushed Out Of Car
Mrs. Collins said that the band-
its then pushed Mrs. Collins and
Rowena out of the back of the
car. Before this happened Mrs.
Collins saw an old Chinese being
threatened by a bandit with a gun.
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God was being pushed into the
background and public opinion
brought to the foreground, but
God was the supreme judge, he
added.
The Archbishop protested
against the "expulsion of millions
of Germans from the east and
appealed to the victorious powers
to make good the injustice which
is being done to Germany."
"In making preparations for
the peace treaty with Germany
the Allies must not forget that
Europe can be appeased only by
removing all injustices," he said.
The Cardinal Archbishop, ac-
cording to the same source, con-
demned the attacks made against
the Pope in Italy, and declared
that German Catholics would
stand with the Roman Church.—
Reuters.

WHISKY CUT!

London, Dec. 31.
A ten per cent cut in
whisky supplies for the home
market will come into effect
tomorrow.
A similar reduction is like-
ly to be made in supplies for
the export market.—Reuters.

**Germany's
Outlook
Is Dim**

Berlin, Jan. 1.
Germany's top post-
war political leaders
said today they were
pessimistic about Ger-
many's future and view
that the new year does
not offer happy pros-
pects.
Discussing what they generally
agreed were the nation's five most
urgent problems as it moved into
the new year—food, the peace
treaty, currency reform, economic
and political unity and foreign
credits—politicians expressed little
hope for progress in the next 365
days.

The one-armed leader of the
Social Democrats, Dr. Kurt
Schumacher, said: "Germany to-
day is an overcast boiler. The
steam is misery, starvation, hope-
lessness and economic anarchy.
This all may combine to a dan-
gerous nationalism and concen-
trate to a 'national bolshevism.'"
Leaders, just as the mass of
people, were gloomiest about the
most acute problem of all—food.

Ex-Professor Otto Ostrowski
newly elected Lord Mayor of Ber-
lin, said: "The physical and psy-
chological reserves of our nation
will be expired at the end of this
rough winter. In case the food
situation does not improve by the
end of this winter, the worst con-
sequences cannot be avoided." —
United Press.

Mrs. Clarke's Story
In an interview in the Harbour
View Hotel last night with Mr.
and Mrs. Clarke I was told that
two of the bandits appeared to
them to be under 20 years of age.
One young Chinese was wear-
ing grey canvas trousers
seemed to be the ringleader. Al-
most all of them were wearing
felt hats, and wore Chinese cos-
tumes.

Mrs. Clarke explained that she
and her husband, together with
Mr. and Mrs. Collins and their
daughter, were returning from
New Year's day picnic in Fanling.
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things, my watch, wedding and
engagement rings. The conductor
held down my husband who was
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happening."

**Viet Nam Approach
To France**

Paris, Jan. 2.
The French Press Agency in Sai-
gon said today that Colonial Minister Marius
Moutet expressed a willingness to give up
direct control of Indo-China and let the native
leaders administer it under a French sponsored
Indo-Chinese federation.

Moutet was quoted as saying
"we have on the other hand as-
sumed the duty of protecting
the mass of people and we must
not abandon this duty."
President Ho Chi Minh of the
fugitive Viet Nam National-
ist Government, has asked
Moutet for a personal meeting
to discuss means of ending hos-
tilities in northern Indo-China,
the Viet Nam radio said.
The President broadcast New
Year's greetings to the French
people on Thursday. "In the
name of the Viet Namese
people" over his Government's
clandestine radio station.
Four bombs exploded today
in the telephone headquarters
at Saigon, damaging installa-
tions and cutting telephone com-
munications for an hour.
This is the first incident re-
ported for several weeks from
Saigon, which lies outside the
Indo-China Viet Nam "Repu-
blic," where fighting between
French and nationalist forces
has gone out nearly three weeks
ago.
Nationalists, however, claim
not only the Viet Nam provin-
ces of Annam and Tongking,
but also the province of Coch-
China.
Viet Nam forces are using
mortars and artillery in their

pressure in the north of Tong-
king. This is stated today in a
French Army communique from
Hanoi. The communique said
that the heaviest attack was
at Nam Dinh, 50 miles south-
east of Hanoi, where national-
ists were backed by an allnight
artillery barrage. The attack
was unsuccessful.
Nationalist artillery was also
active against Hanoi, and un-
successful attacks were made
on the French garrisons at Bac
Ninh, some miles further north,
and the port of Halphong.—As-
sociated Press and Reuters.

**FIRST PERM
AT 9!**
London, Jan. 2.
Miss Alice Leecy gave a tea
party here yesterday in honour of
her first permanent wave. She is
61 years old.—United Press.
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**RAF And
USAAF To
"Merge"**

London, Jan. 1.
The United States Air
Force and the British
Royal Air Force will ex-
change officers under a
new agreement for the
continuance of war-time
cooperation, the Air
Ministry stated tonight,
confirming last night's
report by Reuter from
Washington that an
agreement had been
reached.

The exchange of officers will
be up to the level of Group
Captain in the Royal Air Force
and Colonel in the United States
Air Forces, the Air Ministry
stated.

In the initial stages, the num-
ber to be exchanged on each
side will be about thirty or forty,
but this may later be increased
to not more than a hundred. The
first exchange will take place in
the near future.

American officers have been at-
tending Royal Air Force courses
at the staff college since the end
of the war, well-informed sources
stated tonight.

A percentage of American
officers to be exchanged under
the scheme will serve with the
Royal Air Force abroad. The
new agreement does not affect
the Dominions' air forces—it ap-
plies only to the Royal Air Force.
—Reuters.

**Naked Women At
Albert Hall Ball**

London, Jan. 1.
Five thousand traditionally staid Englishmen let
down their hair last night at the renewal of
the Chelsea Art Costume Ball in the Royal Al-
bert Hall as liquor flowed freely, naked wo-
men appeared and scores of revelers started a
near-riot over six lovelies riding a float mark-
ed "For Export Only."

At the stroke of midnight, the New Year was us-
hered in by lights being dimmed and it was
then that the fireworks started. Around the
huge hall went a parade of majestic floats led
by one featuring two stark naked women who
bowed and curtsied to the screaming multi-
tude.

Directly behind came the "For
Export Only" float on which
rode six of London's prettiest
girls dressed in scanty costumes.

But their moment of triumph
was short lived. As the crowd
surged to the middle of the floor
one adventuresome lad decided
to storm the float. He was follow-
ed by about 50 others who
climbed the structure, which
stood at least ten feet from the
floor, with the wild abandon of
monkeys.

Suddenly, with a grinding
cracking sound the float collaps-
ed crashing the girls and their
would-be swains to the floor.
Three of the girls were carried
from the hall suffering from a
combination of sprained ankles
and hysteria.

Fist Fight
Another girl was saved by
alert Policemen from being
trampled as two costumed men
started a fist fight over her and
the crowd fought to catch one of
the thousands of balloons which
at that moment cascaded from
the ceiling.

It was the first Chelsea Arts
Ball since 1938 and patrons long
subjected to austerity made it
one to be remembered.
The costumes—without which
it was impossible to gain admis-
sion even at the standard price
of £3 a ticket—varied with each
other in daring and originality
and varied from men and women
in shorts to bull-fighters.—United
Press.

The talks will cover every as-
pect of the situation in Palestine,
including the rise in violence as
well as preparations for the Pal-
estine conference, due to open in
London on Jan. 21.
After Sir Alan had left, the
Jewish terrorist organisation,
Irgun Zvai Leumi, threatened in
a broadcast over their secret radio
transmitter, "that attacks against
British Army transport in Pal-
estine will be resumed."
Menahem Beigin, "Commander-
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in a broadcast last night, rejected
the appeal made by former United
States Congressman Joseph Clark
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will do everything in my power to
present your point of view and
that of other Jewish leaders in
Palestine in an effort to expedite
action and avoid further blood-
shed." — Reuters.

THE WEATHER
General Situation: An anti-
cyclone covers China. A vigorous
trough on which depressions are
forming extends from the Kuriles
across the Bonin Islands towards
Formosa. Pressure is low over
the equatorial regions.
Today's Forecast: Moderate E
winds, fresh at times, continuing
cloudy and hazy.
Yesterday's Weather:—
Maximum: 66.4 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 61.6 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 6.5 hour.
Rainfall: Nil.
Total since Jan. 1: Nil.
against an average of 2.06 m.m.
4 p.m. readings:—
Barometer at m.a.l.: 1017.1 mb.
Relative Humidity: 82 percent.
Dew Point: 58 deg. Fah.
Wind Direction: E by N.
Wind Force: 16 knots.

**BRITISH WOMEN
SHOT BY NAZIS**

Hamburg, Jan. 1.
The shooting of three British women parachutists
and the gassing of nearly 2,400 women in the
Ravensbrück concentration camp were de-
scribed today before the Hamburg War
Crimes court, which is trying 16 men
and women guards. Details were given
by the prosecutor, Major Stephen Stewart,
who read a deposition by Johann Schwarzhub-
er, deputy commandant.
According to Schwarzhuber's deposition when he
arrived at Ravensbrück in January, 1945, after
service as a SS man in Dachau and Auschwitz,
there were 25,000 women in the camp, includ-
ing 10,000 Russians, 4,000 Germans, 12 Britons
and 14 Americans.

**Tschaikovsky
Relic Found**

Moscow, Jan. 2.
The Moscow News reported
today that a manuscript of
Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker
Suite," stolen nearly a half
century ago from the St. Peter-
sburg Conservatory, had been
found in a load of waste paper.

A young Leningrad com-
poser named Zablotsky dis-
covered the score in paper he
had bought to cover his apart-
ment walls before hanging wall-
paper, the newspaper said.

It added that the manuscript
turned over to the Soviet
Government for deposit in the
Tchaikovsky Museum, was be-
lieved to be the one for which
the composer conducted since
sub-divisions on it were lettered
in "blue" pencil. — Associated
Press.

Executed

The deposition added: "I heard
groanings and whimperings and
later bodies were dragged out
and taken to the crematorium."
The deposition described how
three British women were ex-
ecuted.
"The women were called be-
fore Suhren one evening and the
order for the shooting was read
to them. The shooting was done
by a small calibre gun through
the back of the neck and the
corpses were carried by intenees
to the crematorium.
"The three women were very
brave and I was very much
moved. Suhren was annoyed that
the Gestapo had not carried out
the shootings themselves." —
Reuters.

**Irgun Turns
Down Peace
Appeal**

Jerusalem, Jan. 2.
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British High Commissioner in
Palestine, left Palestine today by
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H.K. PRISONERS WERE KEPT IN CAGES

After describing the cage in which he was detained with a number of other prisoners at the Happy Valley Gendarmerie, Mr. C. M. Faure testified at yesterday's War Crimes Trial of Colonel Noma that to enter this cage, prisoners had to crawl on all fours, like animals, through a small trap door.

Mr. Faure also said that the late Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, who was arrested for having given money to Dr. Talbot to take into Stanley, was also detained in a similar cage under the same filthy conditions.

Tong Kuen, who was attached to the Happy Valley Gendarmerie, said that on one occasion he saw an Alsatian dog which was kept at the Gendarmerie tear up a prisoner during interrogation so badly that it was difficult to distinguish flesh from clothing.

Tang said that sometimes the Gendarmes took prisoners to a vacant piece of ground and beat them with poles as well as tie them to trees. During the very cold weather when the north wind was blowing, the Gendarmes poured cold water over prisoners and caused them intense suffering.

A number of deaths occurred amongst the prisoners and Tang saw the bodies being carried out from the cells. The bodies were thin and without flesh.

An application by Major MacGregor to treat Tang as hostile was dropped when the President said that the attitude of Tang had not been one of hostility and the inconsistencies may have been due to bona fide lapses of memory.

Couldn't Lie Down

When asked by defence counsel if he knew of the prevalence of cholera in Hong Kong, Tang caused some amusement when he retorted that it had nothing to do with him and enquired of "counsel" what he meant by asking him that question.

William Hong Sling said he was arrested by the Japanese on Nov. 5, 1942, by a Gendarme named Yoshimoto. He was detained for 105 days in a small cell. Sometimes there were about 14 people in this cell, with the result that some of them had no place to lie down and had to sit up all night.

Mr. Hong Sling said that people were treated more like animals than human beings. The food was very bad and the quantity supplied was only about one-third of what the average person outside would eat.

Sanitary conditions were also very bad and during the whole period of his detention, he never had an official bath and was never given any water with which to wash.

Alsatian Dog

No medical treatment was afforded prisoners. Mr. Hong Sling said that towards the end of his own period of imprisonment, he contracted scabies. When he requested medical treatment, it was refused. His nephew died in prison as a result of the lack of medical treatment. His nephew, who had been beaten up several times, was suffering from beri beri. Mr. Hong Sling said that his nephew died the day after he had received an injection.

He frequently saw people being beaten up and tortured in the Gendarmerie compound. On one occasion an Alsatian dog was turned loose on a Chinese woman who had stolen some firewood on the hillside. The dog chased her round the compound, biting her until she confessed. On another occasion, the dog was let loose on a small boy. This small boy was chased round and bitten in several places until he begged for mercy. A number of Gendarmes were standing by enjoying the spectacle and laughing.

Saw Tortures

He saw Chinese being tortured in cages in Ventris Road. A number of prisoners died from starvation and from wounds received as a result of having been beaten up.

Mr. Hong Sling said that he himself was also beaten up, but not tortured to the extent others had been tortured.

Mr. C. M. Faure, merchant, said that he was arrested by the Gendarmes on Feb. 18, 1943 and taken to the Happy Valley Gendarmerie. After describing the cage in which he was detained at the Gendarmerie, Mr. Faure said

there were a number of sacks on the floor and each prisoner was supplied with one blanket and a bowl.

At times there were approximately 19 people in this cell and the stench was so bad that Indian guards, who came in had to hold their handkerchiefs to their noses. The prisoners were mostly men, but there was always at least one woman prisoner present in the cell also.

Sir Vandeleur Grayburn Questioned regarding lighting facilities, Mr. Faure said that there was not enough light to catch the lice which infested every individual in the cage.

Facilities for washing were inadequate and at times no water was available at all.

The food received was also insufficient and he lost approximately half a pound in weight each day during the period of his imprisonment.

Mr. Faure said that Sir Vandeleur Grayburn and Mr. Stratfield of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation were placed in cages and kept under the same filthy conditions. The only difference was that they were permitted to receive food from outside.

Sir V. Grayburn was now buried at Stanley Cemetery.

Under cross-examination, Mr. Faure said that no charge was brought against him for six months, but he was finally tried and found guilty. Apart from being accused as a spy, all kinds of other insinuations were made against him. He was told by a Japanese named Kuramoto that he was liable to a death sentence because he had intimidated a Mr. Janes, who was writing anti-British articles and who had committed suicide.

Died After Injections Sir V. Grayburn was arrested for having given money to Dr. Talbot to take into Stanley, by what was considered to be an irregular method.

Mr. Faure said that two prisoners who received injections died. A third man, Mr. A. M. Omar, who was very sick, refused to have an injection and was alive today.

Mr. G. S. Ladd said that he was arrested and taken to Happy Valley Gendarmerie, where he was interrogated on more than six occasions by a Gendarme named Miyasu. Apart from being interrogated, he was also beaten and given the water torture.

Mr. A. G. Gardner said that he was arrested by the Japanese and detained at Happy Valley Gendarmerie. He was, however, treated more humanely than the others. He was beaten and slapped during interrogations. On one occasion, a Japanese pulled out a pistol and threatened him with it. The suspense caused him to become mentally unbalanced.

He had malaria and pneumonia and after asking the guards for two days, finally received some tablets.

Flogged With Hose Mr. Gardner said that at the Central Police Station he was flogged with a fire hose while being given the airplane torture.

It was a common thing to hear screaming when people were being interrogated.

At this point, the Court adjourned to enable the President, Members of the Court, Prosecuting and Defence Counsel, as well as Noma to pay a visit to the premises formerly occupied by the Happy Valley Gendarmerie.

As no further questions were asked when the Court re-assembled, hearing of the case was adjourned till 10 a.m. today.

POLICE OFFICER'S ESTATE

The late Acting A.S.P., William Richard Chester-Woods, who died in the Queen Mary Hospital on Nov. 19 last year at the age of 49, left local estate sworn under \$7,000. Probate of the will has been granted to his widow, Mrs. Elsie Ellen Chester-Woods, 158 Caine Road.

TOKUNAGA TELLS STORY OF P.W. TREATMENT

HKVDC Clothing Allowance

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel E.J.R. Mitchell, O.B.E., E.D., commanding HKV.D.C. Order No. 1/47 of January 2, 1947.

1. HKV.D.C. 1945 Camp Loan: All Volunteers who lent sums of money to the HKV.D.C. 1945 Camp Loan Account for the benefit of other Volunteers are requested to submit claims for repayment, together with receipts, to the Adjutant before January 15, 1947.

2. Clothing Benefits: (a) Authority has now been given for the payment of a cash allowance of HK\$450, in lieu of demobilisation clothing benefits, to every Volunteer who qualifies for clothing benefits under the terms of Proclamation No. 14 and who has not yet received such benefits.

(b) This procedure is identical with that being followed for Army personnel demobilised in Hong Kong.

(c) Volunteers qualifying for clothing benefits and who were not repatriated will be paid as soon as possible and are requested not to make individual applications for payment.

(d) Volunteers who were repatriated, but did not receive clothing benefits, are requested to submit individual applications to the Adjutant in which they should state where they were repatriated to and reasons for not receiving clothing benefits.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Highland, Indiana, Jan. 1. Nick Schoon, Jr. who has been sending clothing regularly to relatives in Holland, received a perplexing "thank you" note for his latest bundle. It said: "Grandfather appreciates the clothes you sent him. Of course, he was a bit puzzled about the pants. They were for a child, not for a grandfather."

Schoon recalled that there was an OPA (Office of Price Administration) label on the trousers, "OPA" means "old grandfather" in Dutch.—United Press.

MARRIAGES TO COME

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—Mr. Robert Nixon Ambrose, engineer, of 11 Soares Avenue, and Miss Dawn Catherine Nicholas, en route to Hong Kong from Australia.

Mr. Ronald Adair, merchant, and Miss Mildred Elizabeth Florence Cooper, both living at the Gloucester Hotel.

Mr. John Stewart, Naval Dockyard police, and Miss Lai Wu-Chan, of 62 Lockhart Road.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel (Tuesday) Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Robertson, Miss M.B. Robertson, H.J. Wildens (Wednesday), A.C. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Garrard, E.S. Sassoon and Joseph E. Schen.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel (Tuesday) E. Lester, T.G. Evans, E. Miller, J. E. Stachurski, R.F. Lym, G.W. Bat-chelder, Dr. and Mrs. R.E. Reddick, Miss R.D. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Beloit, Mr. J. Sherr, Eugene Hill and L. Korciak.

Mr. A.C. Offenberger arrived yesterday from Batavia by the m.v. "Tillamook". Miss M.B. Robertson, H.J. Wildens, (Wednesday), A.C. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Garrard, E.S. Sassoon and Joseph E. Schen.

Other passengers who arrived from Singapore by the same vessel were Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Griffin, Miss Griffin, Mrs. M. Hirst and three sons, and Messrs. A.P. de Amorim, J. de F. Modesto and F.L. Rutgers.

Departures by the s.s. "Frisco" yesterday were Mrs. M.J. King and two sons, Mr. E. Oldman and Mr. T. Gillet for Singapore; Mrs. A.E. de Souza, Mr. J.F. de Souza and Mr. D. de Souza for Bombay; and Mrs. and Mrs. J.C. Wilson and son for Maratona.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. Nativty Tabernacle and Carols, arranged by Miss F.K. Langford, will be given by the children of the Anglo Rural Orphanage in the Church Hall. All interested will be welcome.

On receiving his appointment as Commandant in charge of Prisoner-of-War Camps in Hong Kong in mid-January, 1942, he had visited the Tokyo War Information Bureau, where he was given an outline of policy in respect of POW treatment. Col. Tokunaga Isao told No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday.

He was told that POWs, in accordance with International Law, should be treated philanthropically. This instruction was, however, qualified with a reminder to him as Commandant that Japan had signed, but not ratified, the Geneva Conventions in respect of prisoners-of-war. He was told that treatment of POWs should be governed also by the "special circumstances of Japan."

A second point that was put to him was that POWs might attempt to escape. If a prisoner should succeed in escaping, the camp would be "valueless" as such. Therefore, every possible means should be taken to prevent POWs escaping.

He had assumed his appointment as POW Camps Commandant in Hong Kong at noon on Jan. 31, 1942. Tokunaga said. He gathered the Japanese Camp staff about him and reminded them that they were inexperienced in POW treatment. He pointed out that POWs should be treated in accordance with International Law. They were to understand, however, that the laws of Japan and other countries in respect of POWs were "quite different."

In America and England, for instance, a POW was considered a person in an honourable position. In Japan, to become a POW amounted to a disgrace and it was considered better to die than be taken prisoner. He had emphasised this point to his staff and reminded that they should take care to remember this.

Narrow-Minded

He told them that many of their comrades had been killed in the assault on Hong Kong and that a sense of hostility was natural. To be hostile amounted, however, to a narrow-minded attitude and he suggested that they should approach their work more broad-mindedly.

To make his point clearer, he had told them an illustrative story. This was to the effect that at the conclusion of the Hong Kong operations there had been instances such as that of a British soldier at the end of the battle offering a drink to one of the Japanese soldiers. He asked: "Was this not a beautiful story? This spirit, however, reminded them, should be given consideration."

Where living conditions of the POWs were concerned, he told them he thought it best that POW representatives should be appointed to look after their themselves.

Finally, he reminded them, a POW Camp had no value as such if prisoners succeeded in escaping.

Ashamed

Speaking of control over the Camp guards, Tokunaga accepted responsibility for the fact that they were directly under his control but said that in the last year of the war, when control was so lax, there was a considerable amount of thieving and buying and selling going on among the guards. He was ashamed to say that he had been unable to control it and had, indeed, been punished by the Governor-General for permitting such a state of affairs.

Commanders of the Japanese camps had no power of punishment. He knew the other accused in the case who had worked under him for various periods. Asked if he knew that "Stodda" spoke fluent German, Tokunaga said he "absolutely did not believe that."

Dr. Saito, he said, was in charge of diarrhoea and treatment of all Japanese officers and men in the camp staff, but responsibility for treatment of POWs remained with the POW Medical Staff. The Japanese Medical Officer "only supervised this."

Not Trained

When the Formosan guards assumed their duties in October, 1942, they were not yet properly trained and their training continued under Lieut. Hara, for some time. The only camp guard independent of his direct authority was the Hospital Guard. The Formosans, being untrained, committed numerous mistakes, even in Guardhouse duties, for which they were constantly being punished.

Interpreters attached to the POW Camps staff came under the Information Section of the POW Camp control, which section was responsible for POW documents and the camp's nominal roll, as well as prisoners' correspondence. Hearing continues this morning from 10 a.m. when Tokunaga again enters the witness-box.

A sentence of six months' imprisonment was imposed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada, Central Magistrate, on Mak Shu-ying, a 20-year old Chinese woman who was found guilty of receiving a fur coat and clothing to the value of \$4,500 stolen from A. Bungalowwala Repulse Bay, the home of Mr. J. J. Edgar.

Sessions Case

Before Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, Ng Man Chung, Tong Tsang and Chan Ming were arraigned on charges of armed robbery and possession of arms and ammunition.

Ng was charged with armed robbery and the possession of one loaded revolver and two daggers, while Tong and Chan were accused of having taken part in two of the three robberies. Tong was additionally charged, with Ng, with possession of the revolver and daggers.

Assisted by Det. Inspector A. Soutar, Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted and alleged that on Sept. 1, Ng and five others not in custody robbed Wong Wui of \$1,600 and a few pieces of jewellery at 4 Tit Hong Lane.

On Sept. 24, all the three accused, alleged Mr. Reynolds, robbed Cheung Yuk-chun of two gold rings and \$80 as she was walking up the stairs of 31 Peel Street.

The three men, with another not in custody, according to Mr. Reynolds, robbed Chan Kai of five opium pipes, seven pipe heads and a few pieces of clothing at 385 Queen's Road, West, on Oct. 3.

Acting on information, Ng and Tong were arrested by the police at Tai Chung Wah Cafe on Oct. 5. In a parked found next to their chairs, Mr. Reynolds said, there were one loaded revolver and two daggers.

Later, Ng took the police to a house where Chan was arrested.

The case was adjourned to this morning.

Kowloon Robbery

Committal proceedings were commenced before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday against Lau Yuk Lam and Ng Pui on the charge of taking part, with three others not in custody, in an armed robbery at 11 j.m. on November 26, 1946, at 91 Kweilin Street, ground floor.

According to SI Roberts, prosecuting, accused with three other men, armed with two revolvers, gained entry into the premises, occupied as a firewood shop, held the inmates up at the point of the gun, and stripped them of three metal wrist-watches, \$2,277 in cash, and a packet of Gold Flake cigarettes.

At the time of his arrest, said Inspector Roberts, first accused had in his possession \$361 and a packet of cigarettes.

Evidence was given by ASP Robert Haigh-Brown, OIC Kowloon and Shamshuipo Division, that at an identification parade held at Shamshuipo, Police Station on November 27, both defendants were identified by the four victims and four other witnesses, while Ng Pui was also picked out by Ho Sau Kwai, female, who failed to identify the first accused.

The case was adjourned to this afternoon.

Money Mart

Chinese National Currency eased off yesterday to 60 cents for future and 67½ cents for spot for C\$1,000. There was little demand.

Gold opened at \$319.50 a tael and fluctuated between this figure and \$316.50, closing at \$317.75.

Plastics opened at \$13.10 per 100. For a time the rate touched \$13.35 but selling pressure prevailed and it had to give way, closing at \$12.70.

U.S. dollars were unchanged at \$4.74. Sterling again weakened rather sharply, closing at \$14.75. Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.55.

SMALLPOX

Eighty-three smallpox cases were notified to the Health Department in the week ending Dec. 28, of which 55 were fatal.

Passenger Was Not What He Seemed

When motor junk M35T arrived from Swabue at 3.15 p.m. on New Year's Eve, its master, Kwok Kan, decided to land the 65 passengers at Chai Wan Bay instead of going through the formality of notifying the Health Officers or proceeding to the Quarantine Anchorage. Unfortunately for Kwok he had unbeknown to him, a Chinese detective attached to the Hong Kong Police Force as one his passengers.

After the passengers had been landed, the Chinese detective offered to lead them to Hong Kong—an offer which was gratefully accepted. The party proceeded over the hills into Shaukiwan and was led straight into the Police Station where they were immediately vaccinated.

The above was related to Mr. Latimer at the Kowloon Court yesterday by SI Askew when he charged Kwok with (a) landing 65 passengers at Chai Wan Bay before they were inspected by the Health Officers; and (b) failing to proceed direct to Quarantine Anchorage.

Pleading guilty to both charges, Kwok stated that he was unaware of the local regulations, to which his Warship retorted: "Being master of the junk, you should have acquainted yourself with the regulations."

Declaring that the Court considered it as a serious case, in view of the prevalence of smallpox, Mr. Latimer imposed a fine of \$200 on the first count, and \$50 on the second.

Kerosene Warning A number of Chinese firms were summoned by the Fire Brigade Department—before Mr. F. X. d'Almada yesterday for storing kerosene, petrol, acids and other inflammable spirits without the appropriate licences or in places other than those approved in their licences.

The Magistrate warned that in future he would recommend the cancellations of such licences for similar offences.

Mr. R.H.J. Brooks, prosecuting, said that there were many firms in Hing Lung, street dealing with heavy oils and that all had been warned not to store such goods on the premises.

A fine of \$200 was imposed on Sui Man, 31 Tung Man Street, for storing 90 gallons of methylated spirits and 30 gallons of kerosene on his premises, and Lau Min U for having 704 lb. of aluminium powder at No. 13 in the same street.

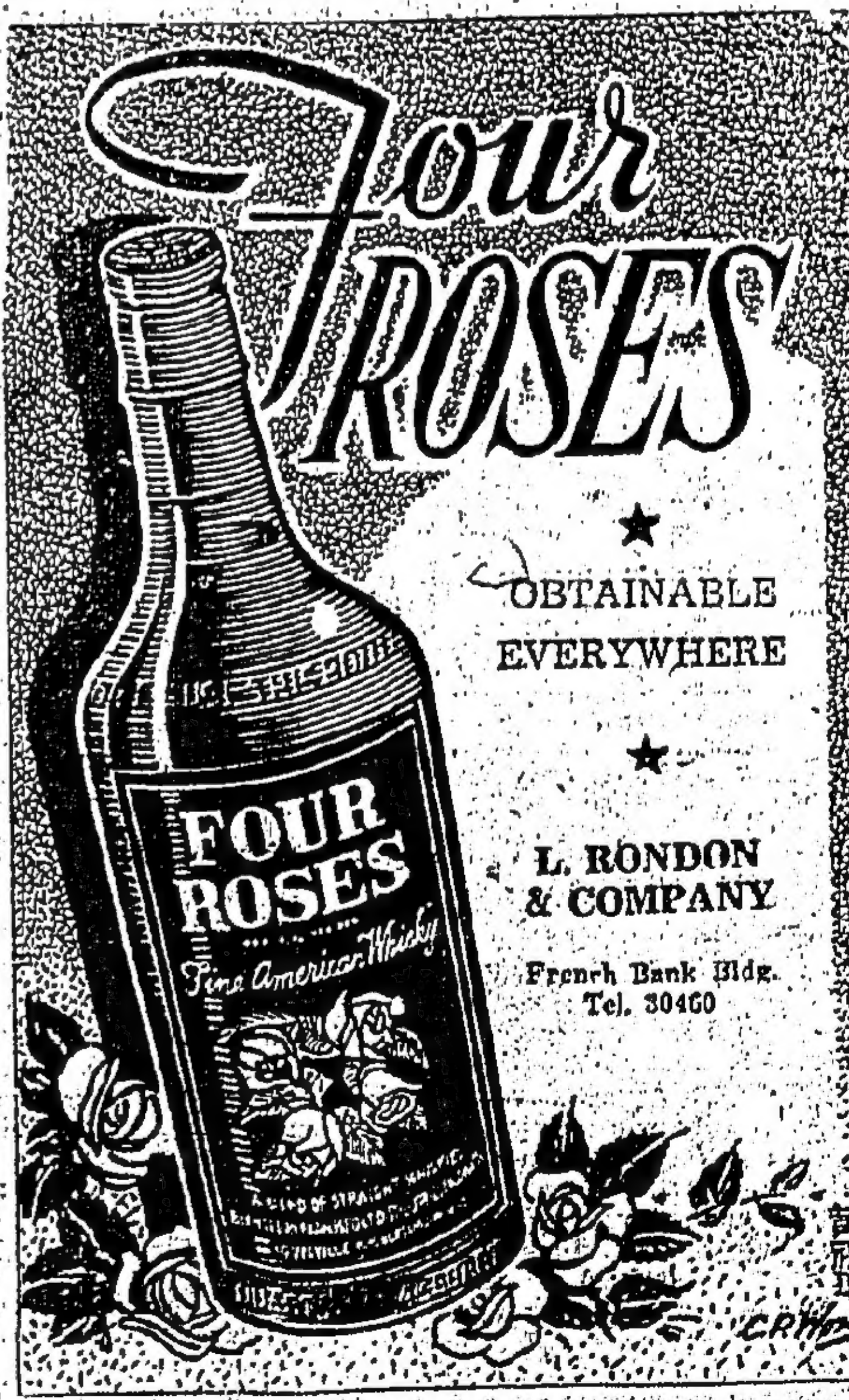
For not storing 823 lb. of hydrochloric acid and 660 lb. of acetic in the proper place Lai Fook, 21 Hing Lung street, was fined \$150. Ching Yim, 12 Hing Lung street, was fined \$100 for having 500 lb. of Calcium Carbide on his premises.

SINO-BRITISH CLUB

The next meeting of the Sino-British Club will take place at St. John's Hall on Wednesday, January 8, at 5.30 p.m.

An exhibition of Chinese Antique Calligraphy (rubbings and actual specimens) will be given by Mr. Tang Yee Ngai, followed by a demonstration of the various schools of the art of calligraphy developed from that of the Shang Dynasty (2000 B.C.) to the current style. An explanatory talk will be given by Prof. K. C. Chen.

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Readers' Letters

Tribute To W.V.S.

Sir,—I should be indebted to you if you would express through the columns of your newspaper this short note of appreciation felt by myself and (I presume I am correct in saying) many hundreds of Servicemen in the Colony towards a unit of Englishwomen in the Colony, namely the W.V.S.

These girls are really a true reflection of the original Englishwomen we all know and love so much at home. Wherever one goes into the Service clubs where these girls are engaged you are always welcomed with a smile and civility which we appreciate so much. These girls undertake practically every conceivable job imaginable to make the Servicemen feel as much at home as possible. Many times by rendering a service, it means giving up valuable off-duty time, but the rule seems to be "It's for a B.O.R. so it's worth it."

What a pity that this spirit of friendship and grand cooperation fails to exist amongst the majority of the European population out here, if it only did then Hong Kong could be gladly looked forward to as a good position.

To the girls who make our stay in this part of our Empire so much "at home," I say thanks a million. When I go back to U.K. no praise can be high enough for our girls and the magnificent achievement they are accomplishing in Hong Kong. Well done, W.V.S., or should I say the "silent service" for people fail to realise exactly how much you are doing for the lads away from home.

L.A.C. KAI TAK.

Parker Pens

Sir,—With reference to Mr. Lam Tso Shi's article on Parker Pens in your yesterday's edition, we will be much obliged if you will inform this gentleman that we are the sole agents in China for Parker Pens and Ink.

The servicing of pens and pencils are, as before the war, free of charge but replacements, if required, are charged to the customer at factory cost.

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Waits

Sir,—With reference to Carol's letter in the Sunday paper I think he expresses the opinion of the majority of the residents of Hong Kong.

I think it is disgraceful that such people should be allowed to go round late at night and disturb those who are asleep. The blame can partly be attributed to certain households who encouraged these people to greater efforts by offering them liquid refreshments en route.

AH BAY

U.S. Policy In China

Sir,—Mrs. Hilda Selwyn-Clarke's article criticising American policy in China has provoked some American resentment and received the Communists' approval as far as I can get from local English and vernacular papers.

If you pardon my saying so, there is nothing wrong with America's aid to China or even with her open intervention if it is a wise step. The trouble with the United States is that Washington is repeating the mistakes of England with Yuan Shih-kai: to finance and uphold a dictatorship whose fundamental ideological background is repugnant to Anglo-American liberalism. It is incredible that after many Americans' criticism of Downing Street's helping Yuan Shih-kai in the Reorganisation Loan in crush-

ing Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Democratic Movement, the United States is now financing another Chinese dictatorship for the destruction of free institutions and the bill of rights.

The only justification is that the Comintern's intrigue for overthrowing English-speaking Democracies makes any policy for America justifiable if such policy would result in halting Bolshevism.

America's ruling faction does not of course entertain the idea that another pact like the Hitler-Stalin Rapprochement would be possible in China.

Persons like Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke, imprisoned in the dark days of the War, naturally would sympathise with the Communists whose East River guerrillas helped so much us Hongkongers, when Himmler's pupils in China were trying hard to get Chungking and Tokyo together and shake hands.

Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke does not realise therefore the cruel part of the Communist technique. She does not understand that Comintern penetration may be more terrific than the Nazis and Fascists. Does she note in Moscow now the purge has destroyed all old guards?

America's aid to China as motivated by a Comintern fear is then excusable, so long as Moscow tries to dominate the world with biased interpretation of Karl Marx who worked out his thesis mainly on the source-material in the British Museum. The fault with Washington is that it is trying to foster a totalitarian and autocratic regime so unscrupulous as to murder persons believing in Americanism—such as Harvard-trained Professor Wen I-lao and Iowa-educated Professor Li Kang-puk.

In short, America is pursuing a course which eventually will lead to the destruction of American civilisation and institutions. In this respect Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke is right in attacking the American policy.

The moral factor for Britain's holding Hongkong will depend mainly whether or not Britain can hereafter make the Colony a preparatory school for Democracy in China. There has been enough evidence that British toleration have given rise to Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Kuomintang and to the China Democratic League. Hongkong has also sheltered some of the leading Communists when the whole world except Russia was hostile towards Bolshevism.

Hongkong is still harbouring many anti-Fascist liberals who do not agree with a reactionary Kuomintang and totalitarian Communism.

Yet to say that Hongkong is really tending to make China a Democracy is far from true. Hongkong is known outside as the Paradise of Collaborators who made good in land and money investments under the Mikado. They are better protected than those who were persecuted and proscribed by the Japanese. Hongkong is full of secret service-remnants of Himmler's pupils who are trying to persecute those who err in thought—those who refuse to believe in the divinity of one party, one leadership and one principle. Hongkong is ideologically governed by Comrade Stalin. The bookstore is piled with the best sellers that glorify Soviet Russia and OGPU's enterprise.

Why? Because Britain does not care how the masses think and act, unless they tend to disturb peace and order. Because America is acting as if to keep a Fascistic regime which rules by thought control and concentration camps.

It appears that neither the ruling class in England nor in America has really at heart the will and determination to make China a Democracy. Only idealists like Dr. and Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke would approach the problem from an ideological standpoint. And they will be satisfied with ideological perfection.

However history does furnish cases where idealists could have their ideals realised to the betterment of the world. Hong Kong no doubt is the hope of many as the base for future development of a democratic China. This war should have taught many Englishmen and rich Chinese the lesson that no matter how much you like the Fascists and how wealthy and influential you are, you will eventually suffer for your ideological differences with the Fascists. By sentiment Englishmen and their rich followers can never be Fascists.

For self-interest they must help China to be a real Democracy, not in name alone. Otherwise they will suffer if not perish. And their hardships will be greater than the those they have just experienced.

AN OLD PESSIMIST

Merchant Navy

Sir,—Merchant seamen have good reason to believe, that as a mark of gratitude, and as a token of thanksgiving to Almighty God for victory over the common enemy, the Government, on behalf of the people of Hong Kong, and in the interests of merchant seamen, are investigating all aspects of merchant seamen's welfare so as to provide the best means whereby the people of Hong Kong can best express such gratitude for the men of the sea.

We must and very respectfully commend a "Merchant Navy Club" as being a useful memorial to those gallant men who gave their all that England might live, and it would remind future generations of merchant seamen of the yeoman service, in the cause of liberty and freedom, their forebears gave to "King and Country."

Should the gratitude of the Government and people of Hong Kong take the form of a "Merchant Navy Club," we, men of the sea, pray that the Government will remember, that merchant seamen, by and large, are a serious minded community, and that educationally, we have progressed far beyond the standard that has hitherto been the fond belief of the landlubber.

We welcome and enjoy recreation and all that the term implies, but we can also enjoy educational subjects such as religion, or trade union subjects to mention just two, and we view with grave concern the attitude of those people who wish to curb such interests by unjustly imposing petty and selfish restrictions, by refusing to facilitate such gatherings within the buildings provided by the generous public for the use of Merchant Seamen.

An application was recently submitted to the Committee of the "Missions to Seamen," requesting the use of a hall within that building for the purpose of a get-together of members of the "National Union of Seamen." The application was refused on the grounds that the hall cannot be used for other than recreational

SHANGHAI POPULATION

Shanghai, Jan. 1.
The city's population is 4,090,340, including 43,985 foreigners, according to the City Government's census released today.—Central News.

purposes, implying that merchant seamen are not capable of anything more serious than playing ping pong, dancing or being constantly reminded about the next world.

Religion and recreation are good things to have so long as they are kept in proper proportion to other equally important subjects, and it is to be regretted that many of these who have been delegated to cater for the merchant seaman, retain very old fashioned ideas as to the requirements of the 20th century merchant seaman. Prayer Books and bath buses are not the only things he needs.

In London, to mention just one example, a club room is provided in the "Merchant Navy Club" for a get-together, it serves the men well, and such a club room provides shipowners, and the seamen's representatives with the means to contact members. The club is of course managed by "non clerical" personnel with great success, due to the experience as hotel or public house proprietors, another point we seamen hope the Government will bear in mind.

And finally, we most sincerely hope, that should the Government decide to recommend to the people of Hong Kong, a "Merchant Navy Club" as being the best means of expressing their gratitude, they will also provide the merchant seaman with the rights to enjoy to the full, all the amenities that the term "club" implies, bearing in mind, that just as we have served our King and Country loyally and intelligently, we can also respect to the full, public gifts with as much intelligence and without abuse.

WHITE.

Racketeers

Sir,—What has become of this British Colony of Hong Kong. Has it been handed over exclusively to racketeers?

On New Year's day, when I warned a number of ticket racketeers at the King's Theatre that I would call in the Police to deal with them, I received the following reply:

"Don't talk about the Police; even if the Commissioner of Police were to come here himself, we would not be afraid of him!"

This was said within the hearing of members of the public who were trying to get past the racketeers' monopolising the booking office. What is the public to infer from such a reply?

A few days before, while attempting to purchase a ticket to see the show "Kismet," I saw a policeman walk up to two racketeers who were standing at the box office and receive a free gift of two tickets.

It is certainly not surprising to observe the large increase in crime in this Colony when a mere handful of theatre ticket racketeers can challenge the Police Force with impunity. When are the authorities going to wake up and do something to show that law and order must be maintained in a British Colony?

FED UP.

POLICE WARNING

In a recent robbery in Kowloon the robbers got into a shop after closing time by sending in a female to bargain over goods. Shop-keepers are warned to be aware of females wanting to inspect goods after closing time.

Increase In Licence Fees

Government announced a number of increases in licence fees under various Ordinances published in the New Year's Day issue of the Government Gazette.

Among the greatest increases are those appearing in Ord. 25 of 1933 (Miscellaneous Licences), which include:—Massage establishment licence, \$200 (as compared with \$35); money-changer, \$500 (\$100); undertaker of burials, \$500 (\$25) and public billiard tables, \$300 (\$100). Dance-halls will pay annual fees of \$1200 if in the Central or Western Districts and \$800 elsewhere, with common extension fees of \$50, \$100 and \$200 for one, two and three hours.

Dog licences, whether for dogs or bitches, under Regulation 2, shall be \$10. Other ordinances altered include Ord. 13 of 1919 (Marine Stores), Ord. 25 of 1927 (Printers and Publishers) and Ord. 2 of 1933 (Arms and Ammunition) fixing the fee payable for a licence to carry and/or possess arms and ammunition at \$20 per annum.

WEST POINT GAMBLING

"The West Point Police are well-known to these gamblers so the raid had to be done by police from the Central Division," said Inspector Moran at the Central Magistracy yesterday when prosecuting two Chinese, Li Chung and Chan Chui.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, Magistrate, fined them both \$100 and fined three gamblers \$5 each.

Inspector Moran added that the gambling-school keepers would open for a time and then close up and later open up again. There were between 20 to 30 gamblers present but in the scramble only three were arrested.

The sum of \$332 picked up was ordered to be put in the Poor Box.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. Frederick Charles Cleo, A.M.I. Mech. E., F. Inst. P., has been appointed the Manager of the China Light & Power Co., Ltd., as from 1st January, 1947.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
P. W. WOOD,
Secretary & Chief Accountant.

CLUB LUSITANO NOTICE

Applicants for Clothing kindly issued by The Hong Kong Social Welfare Council are requested to call for their Card on the 2nd and morning of the 3rd January 1947.

D. P. J. LOPES,
Hon. Secretary.

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R. R. TODD,
Acting Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1947.

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C. C. S. FOLLOWS,
Acting Financial Secretary,
Hongkong, 31st Dec. 1946.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Police Arrangements for the arrival of Major-General Erskine at about 15.00 hours on Friday, 3rd January, 1947:—

(1) The following roads will be closed to all motor traffic from approximately 14.30 hours to 16.00 hours

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(b) Wardley Street from Queen Victoria Statue to Connaught Road.

(c) Jackson Road between Chater Road and Connaught Road.

A. R. S. MAJOR,
Senior Supt. of Police,
Hong Kong,
for Commissioner of Police.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1947.

NOTICE

We have as from today authorised Mr. ERIC SILVER HALL, Chartered Accountant, to sign our firm name.

LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS
Chartered Accountants.
Hongkong, 1st Jan. 1947.

HONG KONG SOCIAL WELFARE COUNCIL

His Excellency the Governor has graciously consented to open the Council's new Centre in Nathan Road Kowloon, on Wednesday, 8th January, at 4.30 p.m. Members of the public who are interested in welfare work are cordially invited to attend. The Centre is situated behind the Infant Welfare Clinic, Nathan Road, and the entrance is approached by the road leading to the Royal Observatory.

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6. Closing date for Tenders:— 12 Noon, Saturday, 11th January, 1947.

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Lot 23 Scrap Steel 1 Lot

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PUTTICK—On 2nd January 1947, at Kowloon, to Emilie, wife of Maj. L. C. Puttick, a daughter (Patricia). Both well.

K.C.R. INCIDENT

The distressing K.C.R. shooting affair, in which a British resident was shot dead and two other Europeans and a Chinese were wounded, by armed Chinese desperadoes, re-emphasises the demand for rigorous measures at all stages to check the post-war rise in serious crime in the Colony. British law prohibits the application of the summary methods of dealing with gangsters recommended by Chinese contributors to the correspondence columns of the newspapers, but there can be no compunction about imposing sentences of the utmost severity on all convicted terrorists, including the administration of the "cat." In a large measure, this course has been followed at the Criminal Sessions, where maximum sentences have several times been imposed, with indications that some gain has been achieved. It remains, in support of this policy, for the police to tighten up crime suppression by every means at its disposal, including increased border examination and patrols, and house-to-house searches in areas suspected of harbouring criminal elements. In the tragic New Year's Day incident, counteraction was swift, and in addition a reward of \$5,000 has been offered for information leading to the arrest of the murder gang. It seems more than likely, however, that the hold-up of the K.C.R. rail-bus was the result of an incursion from across the border, and a lapse of more than 24 hours since the attack without an arrest does not encourage high hope that the fugitives will be quickly apprehended. Such immediate action as was possible was taken, including a warning to all border posts, and it can be safely assumed that efforts will not be relaxed. Incidents of the kind have not been unknown across the border, but this was the first attempt at banditry upon a Kowloon "local" and repetition must be discouraged.

TEST OF AUTHORITY

It is perhaps indicative of better things that the World Zionist Congress has concluded in a definite strengthening of the more moderate and statesmanlike elements in the movement. The reelection of Dr. Weizmann to the post of President was, at the outset, a point to the protagonists of reason, though his majority of 191 against 48, with 136 abstentions, qualified the "satisfaction" with which his victory could be acclaimed. Dr. Weizmann stands for the older spirit of Zionism, before the sufferings Hitler inflicted on the Jewish community engendered violence out of despair, but the fact that his personality was able to command respect was no certain augury for the triumph of the kind of policy he is likely to favour. However, the decision to suspend six members of the extreme Revisionist group for their alleged activities in the United States is an unmistakable bid by the moderates for authority and discipline over the reckless elements. The curbing of the irresponsible Anglo-phobes of the movement in the United States, whose verbal excesses have incited desperate acts, is one step towards asserting control over the gangsters in Palestine itself. The decision whether or not to participate in the Palestine Conference in London when it is resumed on Jan. 14 still remains in suspense. The act of participation itself would be some assurance that the Jewish leaders were prepared to try their footing on the middle ground of partition and, if it coincided with a resolute attempt to put an end to terrorism, a new atmosphere would attend the negotiations. It cannot be emphasised too often that what the British Government seeks is a judicial solution that will meet to the fullest extent to which they are compatible the reasonable aspirations of both Jew and Arab. Such a solution requires from both parties not only the will to make concessions but the authority to ensure that their word is being upon their adherents.

LONDON DIARY

Hollywood Takes Possession Of London

Hollywood, with a flurry of mink and a flash of sapphire, has taken possession of London—and London has surrendered unconditionally.

The almost riotous frenzy with which the usually staid city greeted its glamorous visitors was a subtle form of escapism from the unrelieved gloom of which London has long had a surfeit.

Since that day, when peace arrived to disrupt a fairly united world, Londoners who read their newspapers have known to a nicety when and with what emphasis Foreign Minister Bevin would bang his fist on the Peace Conference table, when and with what vehemence Molotov would say "No" in untempered different languages, when and with what unemotional calm President Truman would make one of his periodic pleas for increased Jewish immigration into Palestine.

This week Londoners learned more important and more elemental facts—at what hour curvaceous Joan Bennett likes her morning cup of tea; how Dorothy Malone keeps her nylons from ladderings; what Ray Milland thinks of his breakfast eggs (dried variety); and the colors of Pat O'Brien's flamboyant ties.

Press photographers had a gala week taking shots of Kim Hunter hunting for a taxi, of lissom Maria Montez strolling down Piccadilly, and of sundry lovelies displaying their jewelled wealth and elegance in the dining-rooms of luxury West End hotels.

The significant point is that in normal times the film stars' arrival would have occasioned no more interest than a stone chucked into the Thames.

The fantastic publicity which enveloped this week's proceedings proved two things—first, that Londoners are hungry for glamour; and, second, that a nicely-filled silk stocking is nowadays more interesting than a sombre political speech.

It is little wonder, then, that politicians this week ran a poor second to glamor.

Stayed Away In Millions
The municipal elections were carried out in an atmosphere of complete apathy.

Pre-election meetings throughout the country were often attended by so few electors that telephone kiosks would have been more appropriate assembly places than large town halls.

The results, however, showed that the Labour Government hasn't lost any great measure of public support, and that the Tory Party has a long way to go before it comes back into popular favor.

On the other hand, the latest Gallup Poll illustrated that there is no wild flush of popular enthusiasm for the Labour Administration. The poll showed that 44 per cent of those questioned were satisfied with the Government's

record, 43 per cent were dissatisfied, and 13 per cent didn't know or couldn't make up their minds one way or the other.

If, as now seems inevitable, non-essential factories are closed down during the winter be-

By G.C.

cause of the fuel shortage, the Government's popularity will probably take a nose-dive.

Closing of these factories would mean even fewer "luxuries" and more stringent austerity for a public already fed to the teeth with austerity and stoppages.

Miners Won't Work With Poles

The man in the street finds it difficult to understand why the miners won't allow exiled Poles in Britain to help get the coal which the nation so vitally needs.

The position of the Poles is a puzzling one—and nobody is more puzzled about it than the Poles themselves.

There are now 108,000 of them in Britain, and a further 52,000 will arrive from Allied theatres overseas, in the next few weeks.

Many of them flew with the RAF during the war and gained many decorations.

Yet, on the whole, the Poles are definitely unpopular, and have been described as "strutting, arrogant Fascists."

Much of the ill-feeling against the Poles is due to the fact that others of them, mere youngsters at the outbreak of war, were conscripted into the German army or labour organisations, and only joined the Allied Forces from prisoner of war cages.

Although they are all carefully "screened" by security authorities before coming to England, the impression persists that many of them are Fascists.

With the acute labour shortage and dwindling fuel supplies, the Government cannot afford to ignore 100,000 able-bodied men, and it is probable that Fuel Minister Shinwell will strongly urge the miners to change their minds on the question of the Poles.

The Poles aren't the only people having difficulty in settling down in England.

Two Army sergeants who will soon be demobilised wrote from India advising for two wealthy brides, "as that is the only way we can face life in civvy street."

Applicants were requested to send photographs and certified financial statements.

It's A Hard World For Owls

Latest inhabitants in Britain to be affected by the housing shortage are barn owls.

They used to be comfortably housed in old farm buildings and barns which often had specially-constructed "owl win-

dows," providing sheltered nesting places for the birds.

Also high in the list of owls' favourite nesting spots were old hollow trees in farm grounds.

Now the old buildings have been swept away, the hollow trees have been felled—and the owl is left without a twig above his head.

Result has been a decline in Britain's owl population.

Apart from the owls, the only people worried over the decline are the farmers, who used to rely on owls for keeping rodents in check.

A well-housed barn owl in good hunting form can dispose of four rats and 25 mice each night.

Small comfort to the owls, and even less to human house-hunters, was a "Daily Telegraph" advertisement offering for rent a house which would sleep seven persons. The rent asked was a modest 30 guineas a week.

"Speckers" Are Wishful Thinkers

People with a speculative eye to a cupro-nickel financial future have started to hoard half-crowns in the wishful belief that they'll rise in value—as the sovereign did after World War I—when copper and nickel coins replaced them.

The hoarders are wasting their time, as the value of the silver in the present shilling is about fivepence, and silver would have to appreciate considerably before the half-crown is worth as much as its face value.

In addition to the half-crown shortage, there is, in the meantime, also a copper famine, and bank clerks have been instructed to ration copper supplies to customers.

News-vendors and others who deal in small change, are cashing in on the shortage by asking—and getting—5.6 for a 5/- bag of coppers, from shopkeepers short of change.

Official reason for the copper shortage is the weather.

The recent cold spell caused lots of pennies to be put in gas meters, and as the gas meters are cleared infrequently, there is a resulting scarcity of pennies.

This Hat Is Really Something

I doff my diarist's hat this week in tribute to that adorning the fair head of Australian nightingale, Marjorie Lawrence, who is visiting London.

Marjorie's hat is truly a thing to be seen.

I am no fashion expert, and mostly don't notice what people are wearing, but even I can't fail to notice a hat when it's such a 12-inch stuffed kangaroo sitting on a nest of gum-tree leaves and nuts.

Miss Lawrence, who is here for a month's series of recitals, explained that a Melbourne designer modelled the hat specially for her as "a morale-raiser."

She added that it was the only one of its kind in the world.

I could readily believe that. Much as I admired Marjorie's extravagance, I'm glad I bought my own hat in Sydney.

I've just seen a 19th century temperance leaflet. It bears an alluring picture of a mug of foaming beer and cautions the working man against spending his sustenance on liquor.

Warning up to the argument, it points out that by abstaining completely from beer he could save £45 a year.

Under the picture of the mug of beer is the caption: "Every Time This Pint Mug Is Taken To A Public House To Be Filled It Costs 3d."

My envy at the thought of beer at 3d a pint was outweighed by the arithmetical deduction that the 19th century working man would have to drink 3600 pints of beer a year before he could spend £45—and that is a lot of beer to stop drinking.

Random Notes On The Cuff

There was a time when England's apertures rode to hounds. Now they take the tram to the dogs.

Under an old bequest, "honest people" who attended the Guy Fawkes commemoration service at a West Wickham (Kent) church received one shilling each for listening to a sermon "against Popery."

A Whitstable (Kent) gardener has produced a cross between a melon and a marrow, and christened it "melodiam."

Leyton (Essex) Council decided (1) to appeal for economy in the use of electricity; and (2) to support a campaign

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I was never so embarrassed in my life... the patrol wagon broke down and we had to walk right through town!"

Montgomery of Alamein gives a little advice on

How To Win Battles And Lead People

Gone are the good old days when a thousand soldiers could be "flung" into an impossible salient and march out ten strong, compensated by the thought of Tennyson's "their not to reason why."

Field-Marshal Montgomery, of Alamein, hastens to acknowledge this in his Walker Trust Lecture on Leadership to the University of St. Andrews.

"The soldiers of today," he says, "will no longer follow blindly and unquestioningly to an unknown end. They require more enlightened handling than the soldiers of bygone days. The commander must ensure that his troops know always what they are being asked to do."

Gone are the days, too, when the loss of battles could be blamed on the man in the ranks. Monty says that lie by the heels when he says: "Failure in war is always due to one of two causes: To faulty command or to bad staff work and sometimes to both. I can think of no instance where failure has been due to the fighting man."

By NOEL OTTAWAY

It works out like this: Two armies are locked together in battle and the issue is hidden behind the black smudge of fire and smoke and the squeal bulk of tanks.

Then, miles behind the lines, one of the opposing commanders begins to lose heart. Unconsciously he conforms to his opponent's plan of attack and slowly his forces are smashed to pieces.

"A commander must watch carefully his own morale. A battle is a contest between the will of two opposing commanders: the one whose heart fails when the issue hangs in the balance will lose the battle."

Even the soldier-hero who becomes the soldier-politician is debunked by "Monty." If there is one piece of advice he underlines, it is that the general who lays down his command when the war is won would be well advised not to enter Parliament under the misapprehension that because he could lead soldiers in battle he can lead civilians in peace.

The Duke of Wellington retired to politics when his military career was ended, and Coleridge complained that he tried to rule England as though it were a vast parade ground.

"The qualities required by a soldier and by a politician are at opposite poles, and only a few men in history have possessed both."

Cromwell, who tried both fighting and legislating, found just how difficult rehabilitation politics could be. He became im-

popularise the use of electricity. Former members of the Women's Air Force applying for jobs as airfield hostesses have been told they must wear ear-rings, perfume, or nail varnish, and make-up must be kept to a minimum.

The much-boasted and much-banned Jane Russell film "The Outlaw" has been given a universal certificate in Britain, which means that British censors consider it fit to be shown to children.

SOUTH CHINA FISHING

Macao, Dec. 31.

Chinese fishermen's organisation in both Hongkong and Macao have formed a joint fishing cooperative to develop the South China fishing industry and improve their working conditions.

The organization, which is known as the Overseas Fishery Co-operative Ltd., will have its headquarters in the Po On District, adjacent to Hongkong, with branches at Macao, Canton, Shekai and Waihow.

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New Year Round-Up Of Suspected Extremists
Terrorists Voice
Defiance

Jerusalem, Jan. 1.

Sixth Airborne Division "Red Devils" troops flooded into the Jewish city of Tel-Aviv in a pre-dawn swoop today to round up suspected extremists among the city's 200,000 population. The New Year's day move at 5 a.m. was directly primarily at that section of Tel-Aviv known as the "Yemenite Vineyard" and may have resulted from discoveries made during the two-day searchings in Jewish coastal villages for the perpetrators of Sunday's floggings of four British soldiers.

It was known yesterday that the authorities were particularly anxious to capture Yemenite members of Irgun Zvai Leumi's so-called "Black Squad." Police cars were summoned hurriedly to the Yemenite section and, using loudspeakers, proclaimed martial law and curfew in the area while troops started screening the residents. Life in the remainder of Tel-Aviv was normal. Mayor Israel Rokah said: "I have no idea of what is going on in this town. It looks like partial action against the Yemenite section of the city. I was not consulted nor asked for cooperation. I still do not know what is being done. Things happen without notice in the New Year."

The troops, who left their barracks several hours after the New Year, had arrived in the Holy Land, appeared to be instructed perfectly in their duties and carried them out methodically.

Doctors Present

The soldiers entered buildings and herded the occupants of each building into one room and guarded them while other troops searched to make sure no one was hiding. Doctors were present to examine any invalids.

Then the persons from each building were escorted to "screening posts" where they were required to prove their identity. If the police cleared

them they were returned to their homes but those who could not satisfy the police were sent to brigade headquarters for further screening. About one in every ten undergoing second questioning was being detained.—United Press.

Night Attacks

Jerusalem, Jan. 1. The Jewish terrorist organization, Irgun Zvai Leumi, declared in a broadcast tonight on its secret radio transmitter, "Voice of the Fighting Zion": "Night attacks against British Army transport in Palestine will be resumed."—Reuter.

Signs Of Torture

Jerusalem, Jan. 1. Moshe Saadia, Jewish youth who disappeared mysteriously last week in Jerusalem, called at the Tel-Aviv police station yesterday and said that he had escaped from a "terrorist trial" held in a Moslem cemetery near Tel-Aviv. He showed signs of severe injuries and torture, and was admitted to hospital.—Reuter.

Police
Fire On
Crowd

Calicut, Jan. 1.

The police opened fire on an armed crowd of persons, described as Communists, who attacked them in Ellarathi village, 35 miles from Cannanore, in Madras Province, a report reaching here said today.

One police officer was wounded by a shot, but details of other casualties in the clash, which occurred last night, were not available.

The report added that three police detachments were on routine patrol duty in the area of the village when a crowd attacked them and a skirmish followed.

This was the second successive day on which clashes with the police had taken place in the neighbourhood. On Monday four people were killed and several were injured when the police fired on an armed crowd of about 500 people, alleged to have attacked constables.—Reuter.

Accused Of
Neglect Of
Children

London, Dec. 31.

A mother, who with her husband was accused of ill-treating and neglecting two of their three children—a girl aged six and a boy aged four—told a London magistrate today that when the two children returned from a wartime Cheshire nursery, to which they had been evacuated, the boy looked "terribly frightened" and the girl "did not look at all well."

The defendants were William Sydney Smith and his wife Marjorie.

Mrs. Smith, in evidence, said that when she spoke to the children on their return from the nursery, the boy shook and trembled and would not answer, and the girl was just as bad. "Mary was dull and could not put on her vest or put on a shoe, or tie up her shoelace. She would bite her nails all day. She looked very frightened when she was eating and would look all the time to see if anyone was watching her."

Alan shook his head all day long. He did not seem to be able to walk, or stand, or to balance properly and his tongue was hanging out all the time. The case was adjourned till Thursday.—Reuter.

EISENHOWER
SAYS "NO"

Miami, Fla., Jan. 1. General Dwight Eisenhower today denied a report that he told friends he would run for the presidency if the "people of the country want me." In recent press conferences, General Eisenhower had told newsmen he would not discuss the presidency.—United Press.

Their Last
New Year
Party

Manila, Jan. 2.

A prominent Filipino motion picture actor and two others were killed outright and six seriously wounded when a caravan of civilian jeeps en route to a New Year's celebration was fired upon by unknown assailants with machine-guns, 19 miles north of here.

Among the wounded was a young couple and their eight-year-old daughter.

Police investigators said the party, in five jeeps, were rolling along the highway when they were met by a hail of bullets from roadside thickets.

The police blamed the attack on a Hukbalahap band which is believed to have mistaken the civilian jeeps for a detachment military police.—Associated Press.

Smuts Receives The
Order Of Merit

London, Jan. 1.

Among those whose names appeared in the New Year Honours List today was General Jan Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa, who received the Order of Merit, membership of which is limited to 24.

The former American Ambassador, Mr. John G. Winant, becomes an honorary member of the order.

The new Viscounts are the Chairman of the International Emergency Food Council, Mr. Stanley Melbourne Bruce, and the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, Baron William Allen Jowitt.

The eight new Barons include four Labourites, Mr. Charles Dukes, former Trade Union Congress Chairman; Mr. Garro Jones, former Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Civil Aviation;

U.S. Army
Court Martial
Changes?

Washington, Jan. 1.

The U.S. War Department has decided to ask the new Congress to approve extensive changes in the army court martial system and at the same time will ask for amending the Articles of War, particularly the clause providing the death penalty for rape.

The proposed changes, recommended by the American Bar Association Committee, are intended to "democratize" the army courts. This will be accomplished chiefly by opening membership of the courts to enlisted men instead of reserving it wholly for officers. Court martial will also be removed from the control of commanding officers.

The Judge Advocate's Office and not the commanding officers would appoint the courts and review its findings.

Military Law may be amended to provide "unfitness discharge" as a court penalty for lesser charges thus reserving "dishonourable discharge" for exceptionally grave cases.—United Press.

Five Civvies Have
Most Potent Weapon

Washington, Jan. 1.

President Truman signed an executive order, transferring the vast atomic resources of the nation and atomic bombs from the War Department to a five-civilian commission as from midnight (New York time).

Major-General Leslie Groves, under whose guidance the fabulous "Manhattan Project" developed the atomic bomb, was present in the President's office and later shook hands with Mr. David Lilienthal, who heads the civilian commission.

Afterwards, Mr. Lilienthal told reporters: "Tonight at midnight (December 31) the people of the United States turn over to five civilians the most potent weapon of all time along with a charter directing that every effort be made to promote the beneficial use of atomic energy."

"There has never been such a demonstration of the nation's desire and intent to use for advancement mankind's new discovery."

Mr. Lilienthal declared that the great plants and equipment are worth \$2,250,000,000 and are scattered over 18 of America's 48 states.

He said that the biggest part of the work facing the commission is the development of beneficial application of atomic energy.—Reuter.

Britain's
Bill To
Franco

London, Dec. 31.

Early in the New Year Britain will present to the Spanish Government a bill running into some millions of sterling for damage caused to British property during the Spanish civil war, the Foreign Office spokesman stated in London today.

He added that the Spanish nation was held responsible for the damage caused by both sides in the civil war to British property and that a bill would be presented by Britain regardless of what Government was in power in Madrid.

In the circumstances, the account will be charged to General Franco's Government, through Mr. Douglas Howard, Charge d'Affaires.

Asked why there had been such considerable delay in presenting a bill for damage since the Spanish Civil War ended in 1939, the Foreign Office spokesman said that the delay was due to the fact that Britain had in the meanwhile engaged in fighting the Second World War.

The claim is understood to include damage to British shipping as well as to property actually inside Spain. The Foreign Office spokesman refused to give an estimate of the sum involved.—Reuter.

Stepney Says
Spare The
Synagogues

London, Jan. 1.

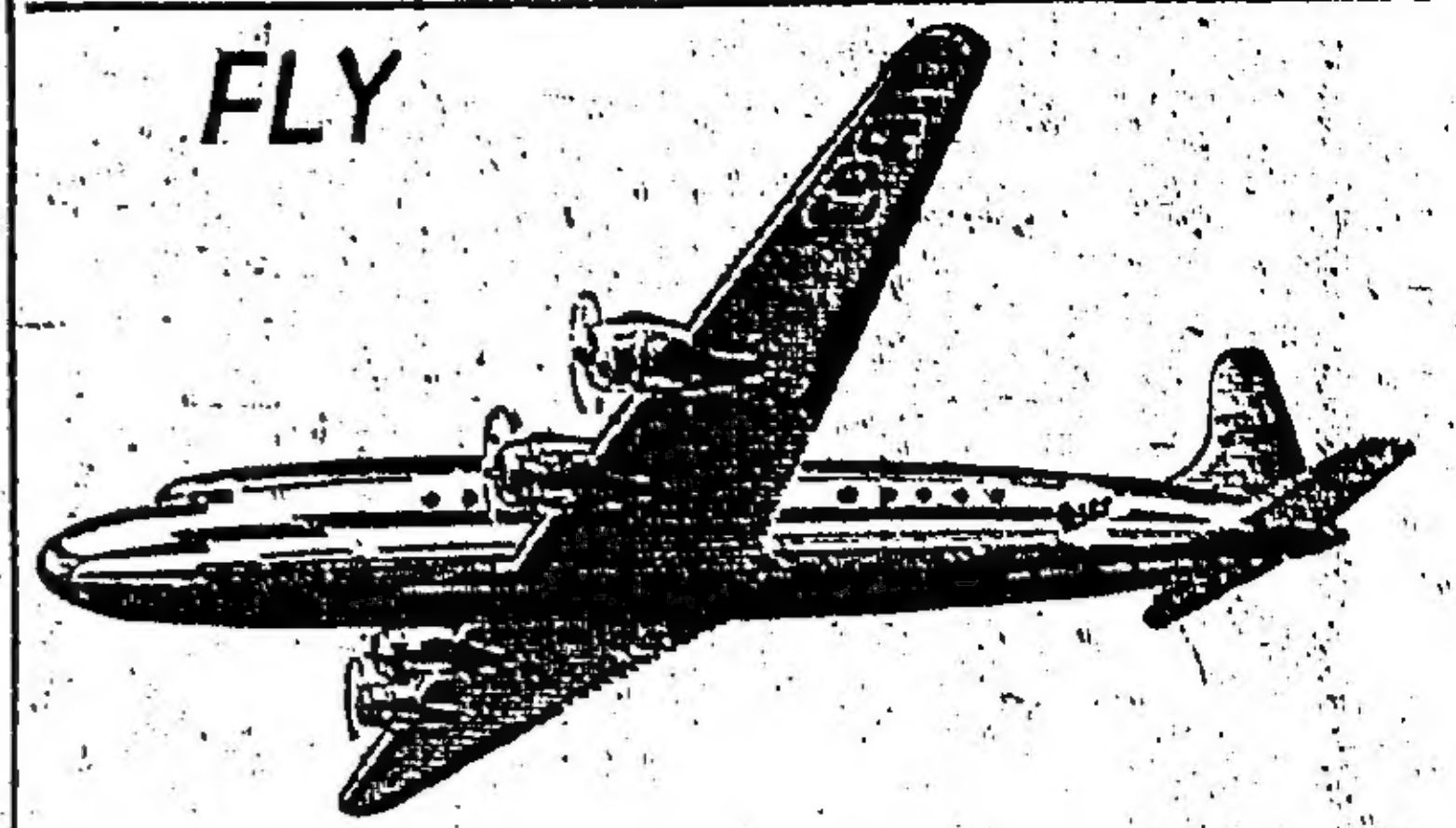
The Municipal Council at the London East End dockside district of Stepney tonight urged the British Home Secretary to secure synagogues against outrages.

In a resolution moved by Mr. Phil Piratin, M.P., during the meeting, the gathering expressed "horror and indignation at the burning of scrolls of law at Hensden Synagogue on the morning of December 30 following similar outrages at Clapton Synagogue."

The Council was "deeply concerned that so far there have been no apprehensions or further developments arising from the first outrage."

The Council also agreed by a majority to ask the Home Secretary to "introduce immediate legislation to forbid the propagation of organised racial or fascist activities by individuals or organisations."—Reuter.

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ENGLAND'S GREAT DISPLAY IN TEST

In Strong Position At End Of Second Day

Edrich Redeems Dismal Start

Melbourne, Jan. 2.

When stumps were drawn at the end of the second day's play in the third Test, England had scored 147 runs for the loss of one wicket in reply to Australia's first innings total of 365. They are thus 218 runs behind with nine wickets to fall.

England made a dismal start, the first wicket falling at eight, but Washbrook and Edrich pulled the game round with an unfinished partnership of 147. Washbrook was 54 and Edrich 85 when stumps were drawn.

Don Bradman opened his attack with R. Lindwall and Keith Miller to Len Hutton and C. Washbrook. Off Lindwall's second over Hutton played a very feeble stroke from a very good ball and McCool at first slip caught the batsman, and thus England were one wicket down for only eight runs.

Edrich received a terrific ovation from the crowd estimated at 70,000 when he took the place of Hutton. Despite his injury yesterday he struck form at once and seemed determined to go for runs. The "Middlesex" bat soon overtook Washbrook, who was playing a very cautious game, apparently feeling the responsibility on his shoulders.

Despite Bradman's rapid bowling changes runs came at a fast rate, and when the tea interval was taken the score had risen to 48 for one.

forced to use as an emergency bowler, removed the Australian captain for 79.

England's position was more promising owing to mishaps to Edrich and "Voc". First Edrich was struck by a hard drive on the shin, having to retire for attention from a massive and unable to return before the close, and then Voc pulled a muscle in the groin. Consequently, Yardley, usually called on when the main bowlers have failed, was in the position himself of a main bowler. And well did he do his job, certainly proving to be England's big man on the first day.

Handling a medium pace and moving the ball consistently from off, he finished with the grand figures of 18 overs, four maidens, 37 runs and two wickets.

Yardley's Feet

Things were looking bad for England after tea when the Australians total reached 188 for three but with the last two balls of his ninth over, Yardley completely altered the position by dismissing Bradman and Johnson. Soon afterwards, Wright accounted for Miller, making six out for 192, but in the final 55 minutes, the Queensland pair, McCool and Tallon, added 63 unbroken.

Bedser bowled magnificently on the first day, but Wright was not so dominating as at Sydney. Yardley bowled without relief while the score rose from 177 to 247. It was a grand job in an emergency and his final spell of ten overs conceded only 20 runs but of far more importance, it included these two wickets.

Second Day

Australia lost eight batsmen for 333 runs when the lunch interval was taken on the second day's play, thus adding 77 runs to their overnight total for the loss of two more wickets.

Play started in cool and ideal weather, and for a while England as Edrich, who was suffering from a badly bruised knee the previous day, took his place with the team as Hammond led his men out to field.

Edrich who did not have the opportunity to bowl a ball before he was injured, opened the attack and off his first ball Tallon was caught by Evans behind the wicket. The outgoing batsman had scored 35.

Lindwall, Australia's fast bowler, was the next batsman to be dismissed, clean, bowled by Alec Bedser after scoring nine runs.

Meanwhile, McCool was playing magnificently, hitting out at anything that was short.

With the fall of two quick and cheap wickets it looked as if England would have the upper hand, but McCool and Dooland fought gallantly and defied all England's bowlers up to the lunch interval.

Grand Fielding

England's fielding was truly magnificent, especially, Washbrook and Hardstaff, who was fielding as substitute for Voc, who tore a groin muscle yesterday.

Evans kept wicket in an excellent manner, not giving away a single by in the day and a half's play. The two extras came from no-balls.

Hammond made frequent changes in his bowling when McCool and Dooland were together, but nothing could disturb the pair. While McCool went for the bowling and hit anything that seemed loose to the boundary, Dooland kept a straight ball and got his runs by singles and twos. When stumps were drawn, McCool was 85 not out and Dooland 11 not out.

The attendance of the second morning was between 50,000 and 60,000, who watched a delightful morning's cricket under ideal conditions.

The scoreboard at the end of the second day's play reads:

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Commando Rugger Win

In an open game on New Year's Day, 45 Commando beat Land Forces Hq. by 5 points to 3. Both packs played hard, with the Commando forwards proving more successful in the loose and making some fine forward rushes.

Five minutes after the start of the game, Commandos scored their try. A quick heel from a loose scrum on L/F's 25 yards line, followed by a brisk three-quarter movement, resulted in Partridge scoring near the posts. The goal points were also added by Partridge.

There was no further score in the first half, although L/F's forwards sorely tested the Commando defence for the last ten minutes before the whistle blew for half-time and they were unlucky not to score.

The second half brought no slackening off in the pace of the game and both sides came near to scoring on more than one occasion. Both scrum halves were hard pressed by their opposing wing forwards, which resulted in the three-quarters seeing little of the ball.

What three-quarter play there was, was of a high standard, although the Commando passing was lamentably bad on occasions. Shortly before the final whistle, after hard pressing by L/F, a loose Commando pass was intercepted within their 25-yard line by L/F's fly-half, who passed to Busfield, busfield went over the line to score near the posts. This try was not converted.

In Dallas Texas, the Arkansas Razorbacks, slaved off three powerful Louisiana State University attacks to upset pregame predictions and gain a scoreless tie in the Cotton Bowl today.

Louisiana State rolled up yardage almost at will throughout the game and came within the Arkansas 10-yard line several times. In the third period they drove to the two-yard line but were unable to score.

Miami

In the Orange Bowl at Miami, Florida, the Rice Owls scored a quick first-period touchdown and followed up with a safety to defeat the Tennessee Volunteers, 9-0. Rice gained its touchdown when Russell broke through the middle of the Tennessee line and ran 24 yards to the Tennessee 96, then lateraled to Keeney, who scored.

Atlanta

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ARMY CRICKET TEAM

The following will represent the H.Q. Land Forces against I. R. C. in a friendly cricket match at K. C. C. on Sunday at 11.15 a.m. Major Rowley, Major Hutchison, Capt. Ozorio, Capt. Wallow Lt. Phelps, Lt. Whitehorn, Q.M.S., Andrews, L. C. Eardley, Sgt. Gildard, Sgt. Kennedy, S. Cockerell, Sgt. Jones, and Sgt. Gibson.

WAPPINSHAW AT K.B.G.C.

The usual monthly "Wappinshaw" competition will be held at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m. All bowlers in the Colony are invited, woods can be supplied and spoons will be presented to the winning pink. Intending players are asked to have their names in by 2.15 p.m. on the day of play.

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In a friendly Hockey game at Murray Ground on Wednesday a B.O.R. mixed team beat an Officers mixed team by 5 goals to 2. The goals for the Officers were scored by Denholm and Miss Stokes and for the B.O.R.s by Mickey & Griffith.

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San Francisco

At San Francisco, West scored a 13-9 victory over East in the annual inter-collegiate charity contest before 63,000 fans who watched Tulsa's passing wizard, LeForce, lead West to victory.

East went into an early 8-0 lead, mainly on the work of Wake Forest's security who was later forced out with an injury. With the last quarter half over LeForce pitched passes to Bechtel, the Texas end, and another to Wilson, the Southern Methodist end, who sprinted 25 yards for the winning tally.

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UNO NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Lake Success, N.Y. Jan. 1. The United Nations Secretary-General, Dr. Trygve Lie, in a New Year message, declared: "There is more reason for hope and encouragement today than last New Year's day. As a result of recent meetings of the General Assembly and the conference of Foreign Ministers, the prospects of lasting peace and international co-operation become much brighter. There is no room for any optimism but a solid foundation has been laid and I feel that we may look to the future with sober confidence."—Reuter.

New U.S. Liner For Pacific

New York, Jan. 1.

The Maritime Commission announced that the 22,900-ton President Cleveland, the first of two large passenger liners for the trans-Pacific trade—in an effort to capture the rich Orient trade once dominated by Japan—will be delivered on April 1 to the American President Lines.

Her sistership, the "President Wilson," will be delivered in July. Both are destined to run to Manila, China and Japan.

The largest passenger liners ever built on the Pacific Coast, they are being completed at the Bethlehem Shipyards, Alameda, California. Laid down originally as navy troop transports, they were in the hull stage when the war ended so the Commission revived the plans to convert them to luxury liners.

Each will carry 652 passengers and 338 crew beside refrigerated cargo. They are 21-knot ships and 610 feet long.

—United Press.

Senators' Improper War Contract Dealings

New York, Jan. 1.

The majority report of the Senate War Investigation Committee issued here today declared that Senator Theodore Bilbo of Mississippi "improperly used his high office for personal gain in dealings with war contractors."

The Committee found that he had violated the Federal statutes and said that evidence of "for such action as may be proper." The report said that any action regarding his fitness to serve as a Senator must be for the Senate itself.

Senator Bilbo, who has often expressed violent anti-Negro and anti-Jewish sentiments, has previously been Governor of Mississippi for eight years.

Two Democrats and four Republicans signed the report, indicating that any action to unseat Senator Bilbo, who is a Democrat, may have some Democratic Party support.

The report of this Committee is quite distinct from the inquiry that a special Senate campaign committee is making to the allegations that Bilbo supporters in Mississippi prevented Negroes from voting in the Democratic Party primary election, which nominated him for his third term as Senator.

Old Custom

Reuter adds: In evidence before the Committee, Senator Bilbo spoke of men with war contracts helping him to build several houses which he called "dream house—number one," "dream house—number two" and so on.

He declared that the money he received was all gifts or loans and that he was a very poor man. He described gifts by contractors to politicians who helped them as "an old Southern custom."—Reuter.

A 20-year-old Chinese married woman, Wong Shiu Mui, was sent to Kowloon Hospital last night suffering from typhoid poisoning. She died shortly after admission.

Further casting notices. It is of historical interest that after the British came to Hong Kong, among the first recorded events was the founding of an Amateur Dramatic Society in 1848, so please help us to carry on the good tradition. The practical steps which you can take are to go to the Star Theatre on Jan. 9th, 10th, or 11th and to come along to St. Joseph's Hall (Forces Education Centre) Kennedy Road tonight or next Tuesday, Jan. 7th at 8 p.m. for a casting meeting of "Heartbreak House," when new members and new ideas will be welcomed. Or write to the secretary, the Hong Kong Stage Club, c/o Public Relations Office H.Q. Land Forces, Hong Kong.

The next production, "Heartbreak House," begins tonight. Patrick Hamilton's comedy thriller "Rope" and several new radio plays are planned to begin in the very near future, so watch the newspapers for

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The British Press Of Today

London, Jan. 1.

Most of Britain's newspapers now are 50 per cent bigger than at any time since the blitz, but they still are not quite as large as a small-town American daily. Under the increased newsprint ration authorized by Government, four-page one-penny papers are able to print six-page editions three times a week and eight-page tabloids have gone to 12 pages three times a week.

Newspapers which were compelled to restrict their circulation for 6½ years now are permitted to print as many copies as their readers will buy. Most papers immediately devoted their extra ration of space to features, sports and advertising. Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express," with a press run of approximately 3,500,000 daily in its first week under the new ration, used three pages for foreign and local news, two pages for features and one for sports. That was a sample ration of the other penny morning papers.

The "Daily Herald," the "Daily Mail" and the "News Chronicle" apportioned their space similarly. The tabloids—the "Daily Graphic" and the "Daily Mirror"—appeared with 12-page editions. "The Times" and the "Daily Telegraph" have been using their rations for extra pages throughout the war. They merely printed more copies to meet the demand.

London's morning papers represent the greatest concentration of heavy circulation of any city in the world because they serve the entire British Isles as well as London. Latest circulation figures of London morning papers were:

Circulation
"Daily Express," 3,463,631;
"Daily Herald," 2,150,000; "Daily Mirror," 1,595,000; "Daily News," 832,000; "Daily Telegraph," 832,000; "The Times," 229,000; "Daily Worker," 106,000.

Afternoon newspapers—the "Evening News" and the "Evening Standard"—made similar arrangements to the morning papers, but publish their increased-size editions on alternate days to their morning paper rivals.

Viscount Canrobert, publisher of the influential Conservative "Daily Telegraph," said the "Telegraph" sacrificed 250,000 readers to increase its number of pages during the war within the limits of its newsprint ration. With the new ration, he said, it hopes to reach 1,000,000 daily.

—United Press.

Tennis In Australia

Perth, Jan. 2.

The United States winning Davis Cup team of Jack Kramer and Ted Schroeder continued to sweep up the Australian tennis circles.

In two exhibition matches Kramer defeated Adrian Quist 6-1, 6-1 and Schroeder defeated Lionel Brodie 6-4, 6-4.

The American pair lost the doubles to Quist and Brodie 7-5, 5-7, 10-8. United States player Frank R. Parker won from Dinny Pails in an exhibition at Albury, New South Wales, 6-3, 6-3—Associated Press.

P.W.D. OFFICIAL SHOT DEAD

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and she pushed the nozzle of the weapon up into the air as it went off.

Said Mrs. Clarke: "The driver started the car and we went ahead. Then we realised that Mr. Collins was dead, and we did not know what had happened to his wife and child who were left behind on the rail track." Afterwards Mrs. Collins had told her that the bandits threatened Rowena with a hand grenade in an effort to make her give up jewelry, before they ran off out of sight.

Mrs. Collins and Rowena made their way to the Shatin orphanage.

BIHAR RIOTING

Patna, Jan. 1.

The Government of Bihar is to make an official inquiry into communal riots in Bihar "as soon as possible," it was authoritatively learned here today.

Hindu-Muslim riots broke out in several parts of Bihar in November and British and Indian troops were used to restore order.

The Moslem League has been demanding an "impartial inquiry" into these riots.—Reuter.

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9.10 p.m.—Studio: Variety Concert by the "Boys of the Bowdoin".
9.15 p.m.—Instrumental Duets: Patricia Roseborough and Robinson Cleary.
9.25 p.m.—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—Direct: "Carmen"—A. J. Principal Artists: Gloria and Orchestra of La Scala Opera, Milan.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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